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INVENTION: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING DIABETES

TO COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action mailed March 28, 2001, with attached Appendix A, in the above-identified application.

- \underline{X} Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed (in duplicate).
- X No additional claims fee is required.
- An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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TOTAL CLAIMS	40-20	-	40	_	0	х	\$9	\$18	=	\$0	\$
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	4-3	-	4	-	0	×	\$40	\$80	=	\$0	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			YES		XNO		\$135	\$270	=	\$0	\$
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- of which is enclosed, \$ A check in the amount of \$ covers the fee for a -month extension of time.
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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2001, entry of the following Amendments and Remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Amended) A method of treating diabetes or forestalling a\clinical symptom indicative of diabetes comprising implanting into an individual cells coexpressing proinsulin containing a proinsulin cleavage site and a glucoseregulated protease\ capable of cleaving said proinsulin cleavage site to produce insulin.

28. (Amended) A method of treating diabetes or forestalling a clinical symptom indicative of diabetes comprising